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1. SED leaders have been trying to give the impression that reparations demands have decreased. Actually the reparations orders for Saxony for 1947 totaled 319 million marks, and the reparations orders for 1948 totaled 487 million marks, an increase of 50 percent. The figures from Saxony-Anhalt also indicate a similar increase of reparations demands. 25X1X
2. The difficulties imposed by the blockade, however, have caused the reparations deliveries from Saxony to decrease sharply. During September, deliveries from the wood industry were only 65 percent of the monthly quota, deliveries from the textile industry were 60 percent of the monthly quota, and deliveries of machinery averaged about 50 percent of the quota. There were shortages in the following items: machine parts, chemicals, coke, metals, paints, rubber goods, and packing material.

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